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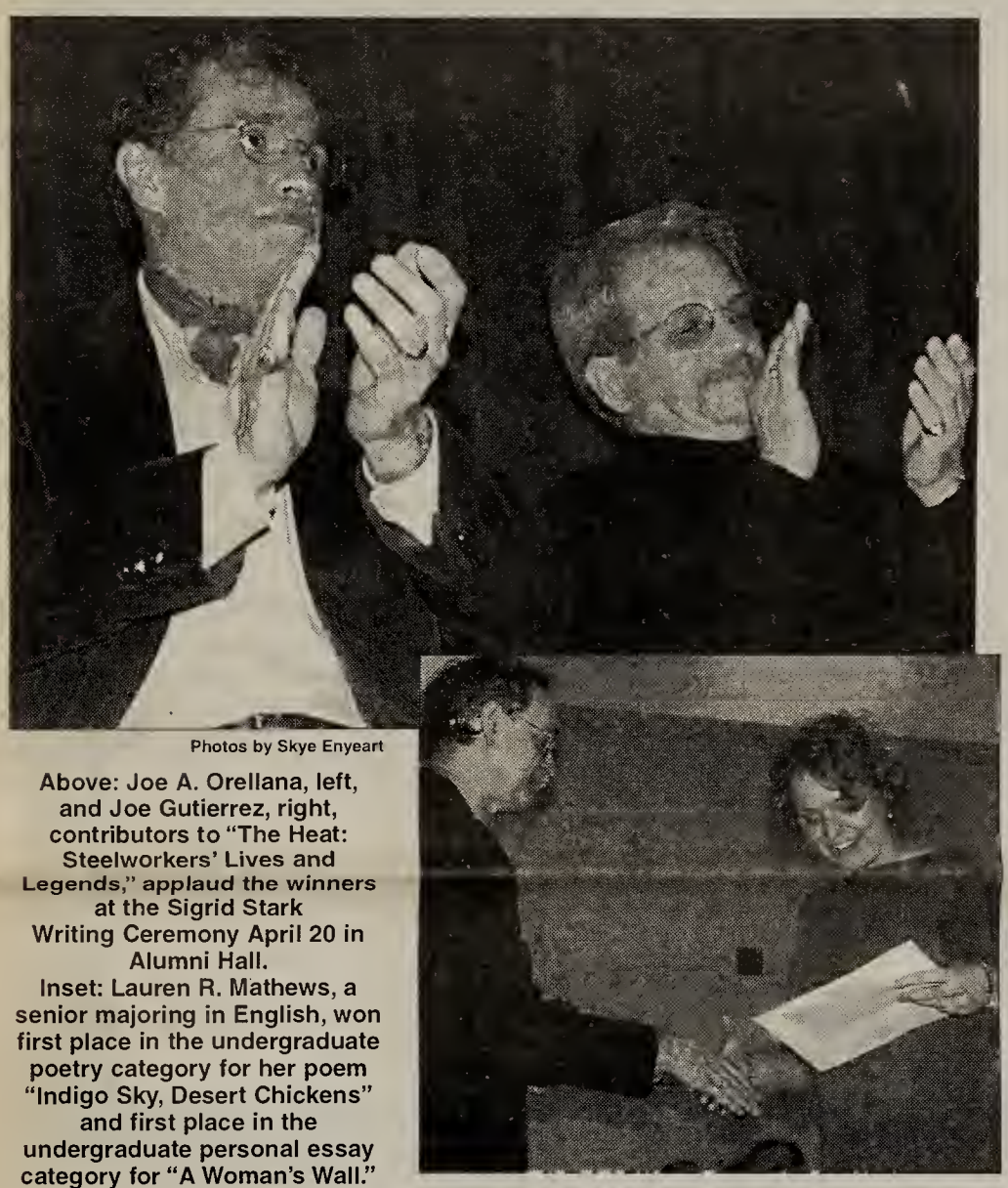

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Above: Joe A. Orellana, left, and Joe Gutierrez, right, contributors to "The Heat: Steelworkers' Lives and Legends," applaud the winners at the Sigrid Stark Writing Ceremony April 20 in Alumni Hall.
Inset: Lauren R. Mathews, a senior majoring in English, won first place in the undergraduate poetry category for her poem "Indigo Sky, Desert Chickens" and first place in the undergraduate personal essay category for "A Woman's Wall."

Cafeteria in line for new changes

LORRELL D. KILPATRICK
Entertainment Editor

Changes to Chartwell's cafeteria layout and food quality have been proposed due to continued criticism from the students, staff and faculty that frequent the facilities.

A display was made available in the cafeteria for students to view the proposed remodeling of the cafeteria area. There are plans to modify the current cafeteria from the existing layout into a "scatter" food shop consisting of a meat carvery, a made to order sandwich stop, a Campbell's soup kiosk and a bakery.

Wes Lukoshus, director of university relations, said that the renovation is still in the planning stage. "We have found that food services has been a source of criticism and we are trying to make it the best it can be."

Phil Brown, director of purchasing and general services, was on hand at the display in the SFLC. Student input was gathered through surveys that were made available at the display table. Questions on the survey included how often students ate at the cafeteria, how much money they spend on average and how they rated the quality of the food served.

What can we expect?
Some of the changes in the cafeteria facilities are :
* meat carvery
* made-to-order sandwich stop
* Campbell's Soup kiosk
* bakery
* Noble Roman's pizza booth
* Starbucks coffee area
* "grab and go" concession stands

Lukoshus said that a Food Services Performance Management Team was created to asses what facilities needed to be improved. "If these improvements are going to take place, the renovations will have to be made during the summer."

Brown said, "The renovations could be finished as early as August."

Some of the projected additions include a Noble Roman's pizza booth, a Starbucks coffee

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Yackel looks forward to future after retirement

TIFFANY AMBER SANCHEZ
Editor in Chief

Chancellor James Yackel plans to lead an active life when he retires from Purdue University Calumet in June.

Yackel and his wife, Erna, plan to buy a new house. After they move in they would like to do some gardening and other yard work to make their new house feel more like a home. Yackel is also interested in woodwork projects.

"I have made a couple of lamps that we have in our house, so I might do more projects like that," Yackel said.

Yackel will retire in June because of a university policy that states the chancellor must retire at age 65.

Yackel plans to use some of the extra time he has after retirement reading more books. Biographical accounts and learning about the history of political figures intrigue him. Some of the most memorable people he has read about include President Lyndon B. Johnson, President Bill Clinton and the late U. S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall. Yackel said he admires President John F. Kennedy.

"I am quite impressed with what he was able to accomplish in the short time he was in office," Yackel said.

"Always focus on what you like to do and what you are good at, even though it might not seem lucrative. You will always be happy doing things you like, and that in turn will lead to success,"
Chancellor James Yackel

"The problem with admiring politicians is some of the stuff they did is not always so admirable," he said.

Although Yackel never met President Kennedy, he did meet President Clinton while in Washington, D.C. at an educational conference.

"It was nothing big and personal. He just said, 'Hi, nice to meet you. What do you do?' So I told him I am the chancellor of Purdue University Calumet. It wasn't like I got to have a huge conversation with him," Yackel said.

Leaving PUC to retire will be hard for Yackel. In his 11 years as chancellor, he was able to accomplish many tasks and goals he set for himself.

"One goal that I had was to increase the minority student enrollment so that it would reflect the population in Northwest Indiana. It has increased from 15 percent to 25 percent," Yackel said.

"We've been able to add buildings and develop south county programs. We also now have an award winning entrepreneurship program," he said.

Lori Durham, assistant to the chancellor, believes Yackel is very involved in the university and with the students.

"He has an open door policy with everyone. He doesn't hesitate to meet with students if needed," Durham said.

Viral Kathrotiya, president of the Student Government Association, agrees with Durham.

"I think Chancellor Yackel is willing to help out students in any way he can," he said.

Yackel has been involved in numerous ways throughout his life. When he lived in the dorms at the University of Minnesota while pursuing a degree in mathematics. Yackel became involved in the SGA. Yackel liked the University of Minnesota so much that he decided to stay there to earn his master's degree and doctoral degree, both in mathematics.

Although Yackel's background is in mathematics, he has always been interested in doing administrative work. Yackel came to PUC in 1987 from West Lafayette after serving as the associate dean of science there. He served as the vice chancellor of academic affairs for three years at PUC before being named chancellor in 1990.

"I came to PUC because of the overall growth and development potential of the campus. I also knew that the chancellor would be retiring soon, so I saw it as a window of opportunity for me," Yackel said.

Yackel said he feels good about his service as chancellor at PUC. He feels that his life has been a success and hopes that PUC students will be able to call themselves successful in the future.

"Always focus on what you like to do and what you are good at, even though it might not seem lucrative. You will always be happy doing things you like, and that in turn will lead to success," Yackel said.

SLD will hold a workshop titled "Career Development" on May 3 at 6:30 p.m. Call 989-2369 for more information.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

Campus likes food service improvement proposal

The survey results are in, and they indicate a strong approval of the proposed plans for improving food service on campus next fall.

As we have been reporting here in recent weeks, a Purdue Calumet Food Service Performance Management Team has proposed a major overhaul of food provision and service on campus.

Key aspects of the proposal include:

- availability on campus of such popular name brand food and beverages as Starbucks coffee, Noble Roman's pizza and Campbell's soup;
- additional food types and choices, such as a salad bar, fresh sandwiches made to order and bakery items;
- remodeling/transformation of the current cafeteria servery in the Student Faculty Library Center into what has been characterized as a "scatter" food shop. Rather than advancing through a traditional, cafeteria serving line, customers "scatter" around the servery to food/drink areas of choice—i.e. a meat carvery in one location, a soup kiosk in another, as well as locations for the aforementioned salad bar, sandwiches and bakery;
- introduction of a couple "grab & go" concession areas away from the cafeteria. Featuring such limited food choices as sandwiches, fruit, bakery items and beverages—including Starbucks coffee—these "grab & go" areas—are proposed to provide convenient food access for individuals with hurried, busy schedules.

Survey results

Students, faculty and staff were surveyed the past two weeks about the proposed changes. Among those responding April 19 in the SFLC...

- 100 percent indicated they like the proposed changes;
- 91 percent indicated they would eat more frequently in the SFLC cafeteria if the changes were implemented.

Among those responding April 24 in the CLO...

- 98 percent indicated they like the proposed changes;
- 93 percent indicated they would eat more frequently on campus if the changes were implemented.

A decision concerning implementation of the proposed changes is expected within the next couple weeks.

It's OKAY to drink in the library

"No drinks in the library" is a tradition everywhere. Libraries have prohibited the consumption of beverages as a way of preventing damage to books and periodicals. Spilled drinks draw bugs; bugs bite books.

Purdue Calumet students commute to campus and often have family and job responsibilities. Their time is limited. To accommodate better our students' need for a comfortable place to study, to work on group projects and to exchange information with fellow students, we are updating our policy on drinking in the library.

Effective this week, non-alcoholic beverages in covered containers may be consumed in all areas of the library except at the computer workstations and microform machines.

Enjoy that cup of coffee while you study, and good luck on your final exams.

At a glance

around campus

SLD offers leadership workshops

Student Leadership Development invites students, faculty and staff to attend its weekly leadership workshops. Workshops will take place in Alumni Hall in the SFLC on Thursday from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. The workshop on May 3 is titled "Career Development." To register, contact SLD at 989-2369.

METS department makes special offer to SHRM

The manufacturing engineering technologies and supervision department is offering to pay one semester's dues for new members of the student chapter of Society for Human Resource Management. This offer only applies to METS majors.

For more information, e-mail Michelle at peakmr@calumet.purdue.edu.

Hoosier Adapt offers online forum

Hoosier Adapt offers a forum and message board that provides a way to communicate with other students to improve the well being of the disabled community on campus. This forum is now available at http://forums.delphi.com/purduestudents/messages/?msg=9.1. The site is interactive, so students can leave messages and their e-mail addresses.

Indiana Space Grant Consortium Scholarship

Scholarships of up to $1,000 will be awarded to PUC students interested in aerospace careers. To be eligible, students must be U.S. citizens, enrolled in a degree program, carrying 9 credit hours and have completed 15 credit hours by the end of spring. Applications must be submitted by 5 p.m. on May 16. Please call 989-2467 for information.

SGA provides meeting space

The Student Government Association would like to remind the student body that the SGA provides its senate chambers for any group wishing to meet.

For more information or to reserve the chambers, contact SGA at 989-2394.

SHRM announces meeting date

The Society for Human Resource Management will meet on May 1. The meeting will take place in Gyte-108 from 5:15 to 6 p.m. All students are welcome. If you are unable to attend, but still wish to participate in activities, e-mail Tony at pucshrmpres@yahoo.com

Message board offered for students

PUC Students Online is a message board that allows students to communicate with each other through posting messages.

Those who have never used Delphi.com will need to go through the free registration process before posting. To join, go to http://forums.delphi.com /Purdue Students/start.

Pride Alliance Meeting

Pride Alliance will be holding a meeting on May 2 from 7 to 9 p.m. Pride Alliance will be discussing changes, summer events and next year. E-mail your questions to pridally@axp.calumet.purdue.edu.

PUGG recruits new members

The Purdue University Gamers Guild is a role playing organization for students who enjoy games such as Dungeons & Dragons, Vampire: The Masquerade and Mage: The Ascension.

PUGG has various games at any given time and each meets weekly. Several games will take place during the summer semester.

Previous experience playing is not necessary to join. For more information or to get Involved, e-mail President Will at Lordwill@hotmail.com.

Star Plaza Theater's all-star line up

On Friday, May 11 at 7:30pm the Star Plaza will host K-CI and JoJo, Jon B. and Dave Hollister for a single show. Tickets are $33 and are available at the Star Plaza box office or by calling 769-6600 or (773) 734-7266. Tickets may also be purchased at Ticketmaster. For more information, go to www.starplazatheater.com

Quote of the Week

'When we lose the right to be different, we lose the privilege to be free.'

-Charles Evans Hughes
1862-1948

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Cafeteria

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area and an expanded salad bar. Other options being pondered are grab and go concession stands in the PER and CLO buildings. These stands could contain fruit juices, coffee and an abbreviated food selection.

Matthew Rook, director of food services, said that the reformation of the cafeteria was an administrative idea, but "the presented remodeling ideas was a team effort."

"There is the possibility of a price increase but nothing solid has been decided yet," Rook said.

Rook also commented that the current staff would be retained and that it was a possibility that new staff would be hired.

Nick Orange, a junior majoring in political science, said that a small price increase would not drastically matter, but other existing conditions on campus need to be addressed. "The administration needs to know that the student body can spend more money on food if we had an ATM machine," Orange said.

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> Nick Orange, junior majoring in political science

In last week's administrative update, Mike Kull, assistant vice chancellor of administrative services, said, "The improvements we are proposing are all about better quality, more choices, desired products and greater convenience. In short, giving faculty, staff and students the value they want."

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Renovations need to be thought out

Recent administration updates have announced that PUC is working on redesigning the cafeteria and its menu. This is sure to please many students; when students complain about PUC, they are complaining about the parking, the classes or the food. The food, of course, is the easiest problem to remedy.

Changing the cafeteria services can be a great improvement as long as those in charge try to keep the entire student body in mind.

PUC students are notorious for remaining uninvolved in campus issues and activities (look at how many students do not care about the chancellor search or student government elections), so when the administration looks for student feedback, it will not find very much of it.

It is important then, that those in charge try to imagine what the entire student body needs, not just what the vocal minority wants.

PUC is a commuter campus that many students attend in order to save money. It is much cheaper to go here than to live on campus at the West Lafayette campus or at IU Bloomington. If students come to PUC to save money, then it seems reasonable that they would not want to blow all those savings in the cafeteria.

While the cafeteria currently prices some items competitively, it also inflates the prices of some items (obviously things like wholesale costs and volume come into play, but that does not make a container of yogurt any cheaper). The "poor college students" of PUC will probably appreciate competitive prices.

In addition, it seems the best deals in the cafeteria are the least healthy foods. A cup of yogurt, a sandwich, an apple and a carton of milk cost almost $5 where a two cheeseburger value meal only costs $3. It is no wonder why a student would choose to eat unhealthy food when they are strapped for cash; it costs less.

With such a great fitness facility available to students, it seems logical that PUC also provide some healthy choices that are reasonably priced for students. Surveys may relate that the majority of students want Noble Roman's, but there are plenty of people on campus who do not consider grease to be a major food group. These may also be the students who are off working out in between classes and do not have time to fill out surveys.

The irony is that the students who give the least input are the ones who will probably criticize any changes the most.

If the Food Services Performance Management Team is willing to take a chance and try to make changes that students logically would want, such as value and more choices, then the result may be more successful than if the team tries to depend on the opinions of the silent student majority.

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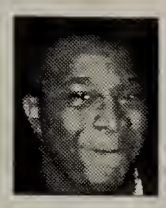
The People Speak

Question of the Week: Have you achieved your goals for this semester?

Deb Wells
senior, psychology
"Yes I did. I finished this step, and I only have a couple more to go before graduation."



Rafael Jackson
junior, political science
"I have not yet accomplished all of my goals. I still have one more to go - the most important one."

Jon Meyers
junior, electrical engineering
"No because I've been lazy."

Guadalupe Ramirez
senior, sociology
"Yes I have. I started a new club, LUCHAR, and I am doing well in all of my classes."

Dave Wilken
junior, construction technology
"No, I have not been able to successfully achieve world peace."

Scott Everly
sophomore, genetic engineering
"I set my goals too high; I never accomplish what I hope to. I passed everything and still got a chance to party, though."

SGA damages credibility

TIFFANY AMBER SANCHEZ
Editor in Chief

Nothing makes me more mad than when someone promises to do something and then does not do it. Even worse, that person usually does not have a good excuse for doing so.

I am pretty sure this stems back to when I was a young child and my parents were going through a divorce. My dad would call and say that he would pick my brothers and me up and take us to the arcade or out to get pizza. We would get all excited and spend extra time getting ready and talking about what fun we would have. Before we knew it, it was almost 10 p.m. and he had not shown up. No phone call saying he would be working late and had to cancel or that he was having car trouble, nothing. His habitual behavior made me not trust him. I lost all respect for him because he could not keep his promises.

The Student Government Association promised PUC students that they would be able to vote in the SGA elections last week. When I went down to the SGA table that was set up in the SFLC concourse for the elections, no one was there. I stopped by the table at least three times and was finally able to place my vote.

All the candidates running in the election were running unopposed, but there was still the possibility of someone winning as a write-in candidate. Regardless how busy SGA's election committee was, they needed to have made sure that someone was there to run the table at the scheduled voting times. A promise was made to students and the SGA broke that promise.

How can the SGA expect students to believe in them and support them? I thought the students involved in the SGA are suppose to be the best that PUC has. They are student leaders and should be held to their word, just like everyone else. By not having the election table organized, SGA has damaged their credibility and rapport with students.

Now I must ask the question, how accurate is this election? If SGA was not at the election table during the scheduled times, how can they be sure that all the students that planned on voting got a chance? What if someone planned on running for SGA president as a write-in candidate? That person is now out the chance to be SGA president because the voting table was not organized properly.

I am not saying that the election committee should skip classes and drop everything to sit at the election table. If the students in charge of the election had conflicting schedules that would not allow them to monitor the elections, perhaps the elections should have been postponed or set up at a different time.

What will the new SGA president do to make sure that things will run more efficiently than they have in the past? SGA needs to do something to regain the trust and respect of students.

SGA is in charge of allocating about $500,000 from Student Service Fees to various departments on campus. If they cannot run an election properly, how can they allocate this money in a fair way?

If I were one of the candidates running in this election, I would have done everything in my powers to make sure that someone was in the SFLC concourse running the election. The election committee is not making themselves look bad, they are making the next officers of the organization look bad.

When someone makes a promise, they are expected to keep it. If not, the result is damaged credibility, loss of trust and loss of respect.

The SGA has damaged their credibility yet again and lost whatever trust and respect that students had left for them.

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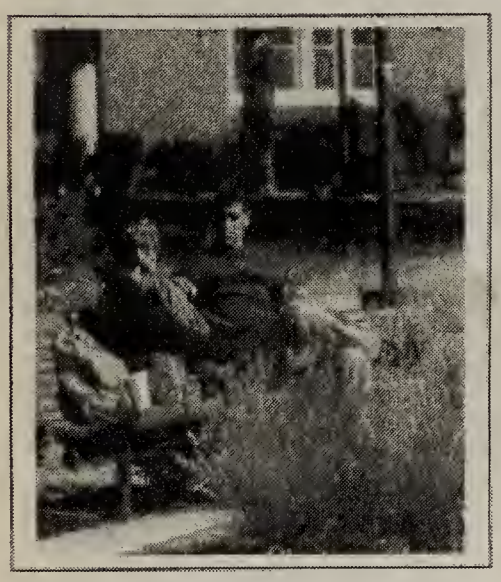

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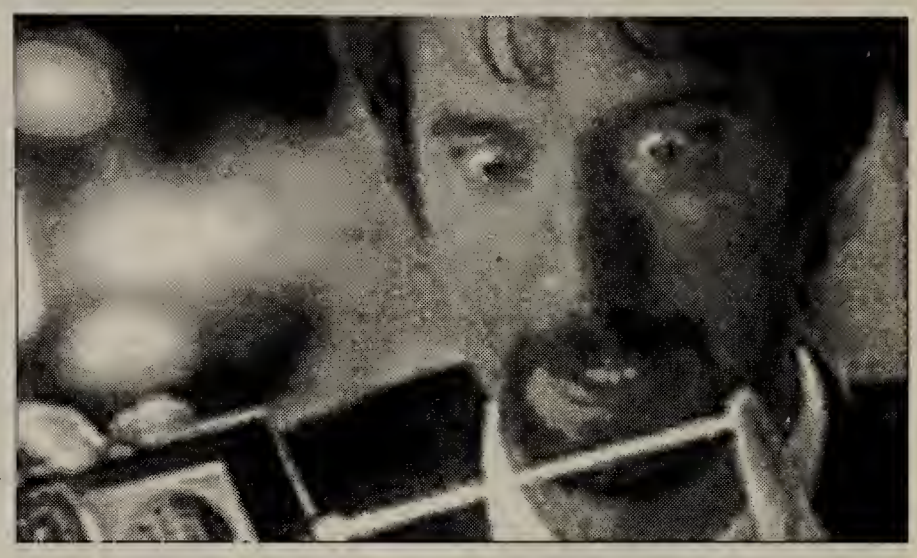
'Freddy Got Fingered' provides mild stimulation

JAMES E. LACZKOWSKI
Staff Writer

Tom Green is a comedic genius, plain and simple. I completely understand if you disagree or cannot find his antics funny, because comedy is subjective. What people do find humorous obviously differs from person to person. When people run into poles, fall down the stairs, fart, do pratfalls or just tell a joke, rarely am I rolling on the floor with laughter. However, what does makes me laugh are comedians who approach their art with audacity, not unlike my heroes Bill Murray, Richard Pryor, Andy Kaufman and the late, great Bill Hicks.

Movie	"Freddy Got Fingered"
Actor	Tom Green
Rating	7 of 10

It was only a matter of time before MTV's Tom Green would release a feature-length film. "Freddy Got Fingered" only exists for one reason: to irritate you. Not necessarily to shock you, but to perturb you. It is one of the most incredibly stupid films ever to be released in the history of cinema. With that acknowledgment, I commend Tom Green for even having the balls (or at least one) to have conceived this vile trash. It may seem as if he's trying to top "There's Something About Mary" or the recent box-office success of "Scary Movie." But like pop culture phenomenon, Eminem, his purpose is to piss you off, and make parents shake their head in disbelief. There is rarely a moment in "Freddy Got Fingered" where your jaw won't be on the floor. Could I recommend this movie? Um, no. But to me, I think it's along the lines of when Andy Kaufman attempted to wrestle women back in the late 70s. He made a movie so unwatchable, so incredibly dim-witted, that it somehow exceeds stupidity. It's nothing more than an exercise in exploitation. Blood, semen, flying limbs, incest, and an insane use of the "f" word are just some of the many disgusting highlights in "Freddy Got Fingered." The one thing that can be said is at least The Farrelly Brothers have heart in their vulgarity. They even have a recycled, yet entertaining storyline. There is truly no cohesive or plausible plot to be found in this movie. It's a series of idiotic scenes plastered together between an overabundance of tasteless sight gags.



Tom Green proves that mental psychosis can be cool in "Freddy Got Fingered."

"Freddy Got Fingered" is malignant and vile. Its creator is a sick, twisted, puerile human being who perpetuated the biggest joke on the film industry and anyone who sits through this flick. He takes all the pretensions and flushes them literally down the toilet. Of course there are his fans who will laugh, and maybe comprehend this movie and someday even own it. The trick is not to ever take this guy seriously. It's an act, like Marilyn Manson. Although I know uptight conservatives will no doubt attest to the dumbing-down of America because of people like Tom Green, my opinion is that those are the people with sticks up their ass and would rather turn the other cheek and settle for an easy knock-knock joke. Green is breaking new ground, and if you don't find it funny, then I won't bash you because I've never found Bill Cosby or Seinfeld remotely funny. Again, humor is subjective.

"The Tom Green Cancer Special" is one of the most extraordinary pieces of cathartic comedy ever shown on television. Somehow he managed to cross the line between the heartfelt, the humorous, and even the education behind his disease. This movie is not high art, but rather the lowest of the low. If you're not in on the joke, then you're probably going to hate Tom Green for years to come. Still, anyone who dares to piss people off, is clearly worthy of my praise and admiration. Just don't send me death threats for actually being the only critic on the planet who actually didn't give "Freddy Got Fingered" zero stars.

'Josie and the Pussycats' lick the lollipop of fame

VANESSA ROMAN
Staff Writer

Before I saw the "Josie and the Pussycats," I was really excited because of the music it featured, like Veruca Salt.

The main characters are Josie (Rachael Leigh Cook), the lead vocalist and guitarist, Valerie (Rosario Dawson), the bassist, and Melody (Tara Reid), the drummer. "Josie and the Pussycats" rocked!

This remake of the classic cartoon was just as fun and the characters were almost as animated.

"Josie and the Pussycats" starts with the band playing a gig at local a bowling alley. They are a struggling rock band living in a town called Riverdale.

Happy to play their own type of music, Josie, Val and Melody take criticism and ridicule until the day they finally believe they have been discovered.

When playing a gig in front of a clothing store, an employee comes out and says that they can't play there and gets the police to chase them out.

Movie	"Josie and the Pussycats"
Actor	Rachael Leigh Cook
Rating	8.5 of 10

While running with their instruments in tow, the band spills into the middle of the street right in front of the car of a band manager named Wyatt.

Because he needs a group immediately, Wyatt signs them on the spot and they are soon recording the music they love. With a number one song on the charts and all the screaming fans they can handle, the band is on cloud nine until they suspect fowl play.

From left to right, Tara Reid, Rachael Leigh Cook and Rosario Dawson claw their way to the top in the film "Josie and the Pussycats."

In their own twisted reasoning, Fiona, the label CEO, and Wally devise a plan to take over the youth of America via subliminal tracts under the band's song lyrics.

Even Josie succumbs to the brainwashing as she began to think that she is the main attraction of the band and Val and Melody are nothing.

The girls began to realize that fowl play is involved when they recognize that all this success has happened in the span of a week.

What follows is a series of chases, quirky dialogue and of course, great music.

"Josie and the Pussycats" was a good movie because it was fun, energetic, and entertaining and I would suggest that everyone goes to see these cats purr.

TRY YOUR LUCK WITH TOP 10 GAME SHOWS

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In a world filled with sleazy talk shows and excessive court shows, there is nothing better on television that provides the great escape better than the institution we call the game show.

For decades over, the game show is the institution that keeps families together, keeps television viewers guessing and makes in-studio contestants very happy.

Some game shows were before our time, but thanks to the Game Show Network, we can catch up with some old favorites.

With that in mind, I present to you the 10 greatest game shows of all time. Some are still on television, some left a good impression in its early stages and some have come and have gone.

So, after the price was right and I have heard what the survey said, I have made my final answer and submitted this list to you:

Wheel of Fortune

1. "The Price Is Right" – For 29 years, Bob Barker has been providing contestants with ways to win fabulous prizes. This is the best game show because of its simplicity and strong audience participation.

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2. "Match Game" (1973-1982) – Host Gene Rayburn was great, as well as the panelists who have paid a visit to the show. This game was great with its bawdy humor and funny quips, but they were serious about the money that they gave away. This show alone gave away almost $5 million. The huge success of this show prompted CBS to create a prime time version, which was known as "Match Game PM."

3. "Family Feud" – "Survey says ..." No show did better for family bonding than the hugely popular "Family Feud." There were three runs of this game, the first of which being hosted by Richard Dawson (who was also a "Match Game" panelist) during the mid-1970s and early 1980s. Ray Combs hosted during the early 1990s (Richard Dawson took over in 1994). Louie Anderson currently hosts the updated version.

4. "Wheel of Fortune" (1983-present) – The most popular syndicated game show on television took form when host Pat Sajak and popular letter-turner Vanna White took the helm in 1983. The rules of the game may have changed over time, but the huge wheel has won contestants over $6 million.

5."Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?" (1999-present) – This quiz show started strong and shows no signs of slowing down. Contestants are put in the "hot seat" and must answer 15 questions of increasing difficulty successfully in order to win the $1 million prize. Now there hasn't been a million-dollar winner in the last 8 months, and the contestant who is lucky enough to climb the ladder will win a cash prize of well over $2 million. Host Regis Philbin has been motivating contestants and is a caring host. This is the most simple, fun and nerve-wracking quiz show on television.

6. "Jeopardy!" (1983-present) – The IQ test of television is the second most popular syndicated show on television. Host Alex Trebek's serious demeanor sets the tone for the show, with questions (I mean, answers) appealing to every age and gender demographic. This show is still all business after all these years.

7. "The Joker's Wild" (1973-1981) – Lady Luck was queen in this highly risky game show. Contestants had to pull the arm of a gargantuan slot machine in order to win prizes (or to be shut out completely). Host Jack Barry ran the game. Before "Millionaire," "The Joker's Wild" had a million-dollar toumament of its own, with the winner walking away with a huge sum of $500,000.

8. "The $25,000 Pyramid" (1979-1985) – In this tense game show, contestants paired up with celebrities to compete in a word game. Dick Clark's classiness made the game show just a sight to behold. During the entire run of the "Pyramid," cash prizes amounted from $10,000 to $100,000 (with $20,000 in between).

9. "Password"- In another "celebrity-pairs-with-contestant" game, one-word clues were given in order to guess the "Password." Intelligent host Allen Ludden emceed the word-bending game show during the 1960s and 1970s. Before Ludden died in 1981, he hosted an updated version known as "Password Plus."

10. "Press Your Luck" – "Big bucks!" "No Whammies!" These were the call words in this run-of-the-mill game show. Contestants earned "spins" in order to acquire cash and prizes from a gigantic board. Of course, if a contestant hit a whammy, he or she would lose everything. Peter Tomarcken had host duties during the game's run.

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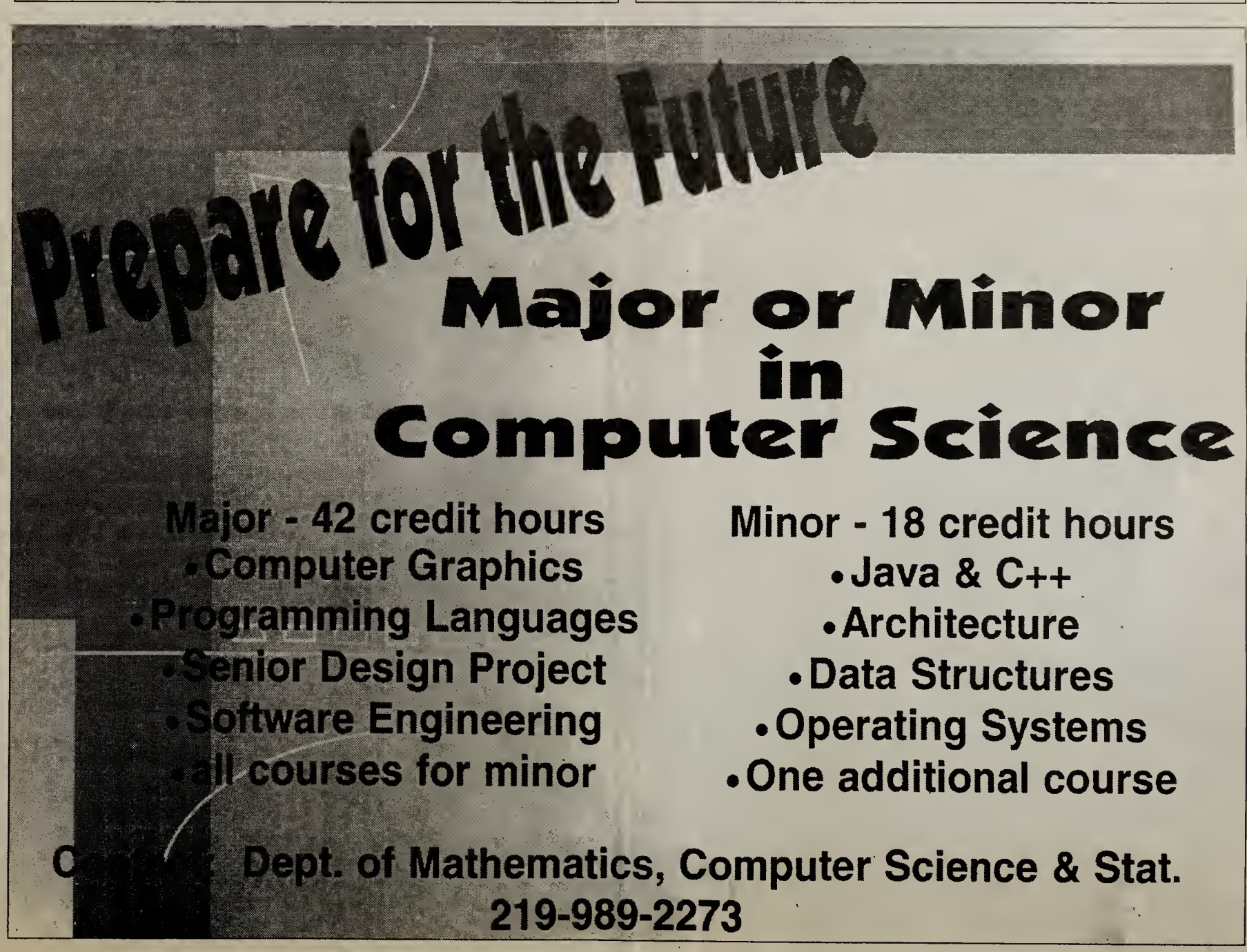

Fitness center offers health club benefits

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For many individuals, the task of exercising to stay physically fit becomes a priority in their lives. Whether it's concentrating on weight loss or trying to tone muscles, a decent workout brings out the best.

Today, some people take advantage of health clubs that try to suit one's exercise needs, while other people rely on a weight set or a treadmill in the comfort of their home. Some find it difficult to manage a workout in a busy schedule depending on work or just being a student.

> **"I think it's a great workout for $16 a semester,"**
> Aaron Davis,
> a freshman majoring in communication

Any PUC student can discover the benefits of staying in shape with plenty of time available. Located in the PER Building, just across the street from the main campus, lies the Total Fitness Center. Students can workout in the TFC with both aerobic and anaerobic equipment, getting all the benefits of more expensive health clubs.

The center also comes with two racquetball courts, a full-size gym with basketball hoops and a running track. With 16 exercise bikes, nine treadmills and two Nordic Tracks, the cost for student membership per semester is $16.

Nick Ferro, a TFC employee and a junior majoring in health fitness and nutrition management, said students get a great deal at the TFC.

"For the student price, nobody can beat that," Ferro said. "A lot of the members take advantage of the racquetball and basketball courts, and the free personal training and fitness assessments."

Besides PUC students, the fitness center is open to the general public with membership fees running $55 monthly and $425 yearly, in addition to special discounts for senior citizens and high school students, which sets-up a mixing of all age groups.

"We have a diverse membership of high school, college, elderly and the general public. Everyone is here to learn and achieve a goal," Ferro said.

Many students, who come in for a workout at the center, receive the satisfaction of exercise that equals out to any health club.

"If you are a student, it's easy access and the price is nothing compared to other facilities," Jessie Hernandez, a junior majoring in sociology with an emphasis in criminal justice said.

Hernandez has been a member of TFC for the past three years. He works out four times a week and takes advantage of all the equipment, which includes two weight rooms and a separate room for aerobic exercise equipment.

Aaron Davis, a freshman majoring in communication with an emphasis in public relations, said he appreciates the fitness facilities available to students.

"I use the full advantage of the fitness center," Davis said.

Like Hernandez, Davis exercises in the fitness center four times per week and prefers the cost as well.

"I think it's a great workout for $16 a semester," Davis said.

Another feature that all TFC members can participate in are the fitness courses that take place every semester. These courses range from yoga to workouts concentrating on abs. All members can participate in these classes that take place daily.

TFC coordinator John Bobalik, who has worked at the fitness center since it opened in June of 1986, also said that the TFC provides other fitness related services.

"The fitness center will help anyone in a number of areas that includes reducing stress and blood pressure," Bobalik said. "Here, people get to interact with others, that includes students, so everyone learns and benefits."

The TFC is open on weekdays from 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., except Friday nights, when the facility closes at 8 p.m. On Saturdays, the center is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, contact the TFC at 989-2175.

Checkmate

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Jason Whitaker (left,) a sophomore majoring in construction technology enjoys his game of chess with Adrian Castellanos, a freshman majoring in construction technology, in the TV lounge of the SFLC building.

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